

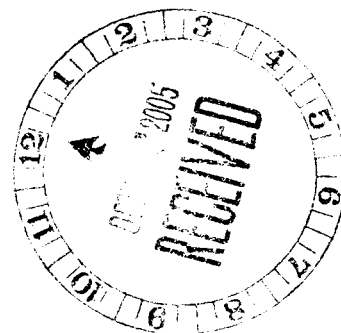
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Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
Mercury Building
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423

RE: **STB Docket No. AB-254 (Sub-No. 8X)**
Providence and Worcester Railroad Company
East Providence, Rhode Island
Petition for Exemption for Abandonment

Dear Secretary Williams:

Pursuant to Section 2 of the Decision and Notice of Interim Trail Use Or Abandonment issued by the Board on October 4, 2005 in connection with the above referenced matter, enclosed please find a Certificate of Service and copy of a transmittal letter sent to William J. Canaan, Inc.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need any further information.

Very truly yours,

Amy Silverstein
Assistant General Counsel

Enc.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to Section 2 of the Decision and Notice of Interim Trail Use or Abandonment, STB Docket No. AB-254 (Sub-No. 8X), Providence and Worcester Railroad Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Providence County, Rhode Island (the “Decision and Notice”), the undersigned hereby certifies that a true copy of the Decision and Notice was served upon the following party by certified mail, return receipt requested, on October 5, 2005 (see attached copy of transmittal letter as Exhibit A).

Mr. Nathan Canaan
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Dated: October 5, 2005



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